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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 136(a), Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for an extension of time into the third month after the response due date, i.e., until January 31, 2002, for responding to the Office Action mailed July 31, 2001.

No extension fee is attached because the appropriate fee was paid with the Response filed January 7, 2002.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any Petition for Extension of Time fee for underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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